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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> |                                | Docket Number (Optional) 1252CIP3DIVCON6 |
| In re Application of <b>David T. Green et al.</b>           |                                |  |
| Application Number 10/668,941                               | Filed 9/22/03                  |  |
| For <b>SURGICAL STAPLING APPARATUS</b>                      |                                |  |
| Art Unit 3721   | Examiner <b>Scott A. Smith</b> |  |

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
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- I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.
- ☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).
- ☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 39,517
- ☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
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